

The legislature is doing some pretty good work in indefinitely postponing a large number of bills.

Mackin and Gallagher were released from jail in time to repeat their methods of campaign work during the coming municipal election.

There seems to be an over-production of everything except sobriety and common sense. The market will never be glutted with these.

The house of representatives of the Texas legislature has adopted a resolution submitting a prohibitory amendment to the people.

After all, there can be extracted from the present cold weather a little consolation. It keeps out of the newspapers the rushing "poems" on spring.

Carter Harrison has been nominated for mayor of Chicago, by the democrats. As the gambling element in Chicago is a tremendous power in city politics, it is possible that Harrison may be elected.

Financially, it paid to be the mother of the first child born in Eagle City, Arizona. When that event took place the other day, the miners clubbed together and made the happy mother a present of \$5,000 in gold.

General McClellan does not seem to be on the slate for an important mission. You see the matter stands in this manner: Should the president appoint him, he wouldn't get to Europe before a republican president was elected in 1888, unless his movements were more rapid than they were while he commanded on the Potomac.

The latest dispatches from New York say that General Grant is comfortable, but very tired. It is not explained how a man can experience comfort in being very tired. The general's condition is not as alarming as many suppose. He is somewhat feeble and restless, but is able to walk, and also to write on his book.

Mr. A. T. Stewart felt inclined to pay \$50,000 for the small seal painting by Meissner, called "1807". It has been painted about thirteen years, and cost about 300 a square inch, and yet the great work is beginning to crack! This shows that the colors are not good, and that \$50,000 was too high a price for such a work although it came from the brush of Meissner.

Ex-Governor Glick, of Kansas, wants to be commissioner of agriculture. He ought not to be appointed because he doesn't know how to raise beans. It is said of him that he once attempted to raise smooth skin by planting sweet corn and Lima beans in the same hill. If Glick was appointed commissioner of agriculture, he would try the scheme of raising sour-kent, and this brings dishonor upon the noble pursuit of agriculture.

The medical profession has been investigating the cause of so much neuralgia of the head among women, and the conclusion is reached that the absurdly diminutive hats and bonnets which so many women wear, covering, as they do, only a small portion of the head, come in for just denunciation as the cause of this disease. A writer in the British Medical Journal calls upon women to abrogate a fashion which is so unreasonable and deleterious. But the practice is not nearly so injurious in the mild climate of England as in this country.

It is said that a new counterfeit twenty-dollar gold piece, dated 1880, has made its appearance. It weighs 266 grains, whereas a genuine one weighs 510—a difference of 244 grains. The coin was made from the mold of a genuine standard, and the metal from which it is stamped consists of about the same composition as counterfeit coins in use in making silver dollars. It is gilded brightly with gold by a battery and is somewhat thicker than the genuine coin. It will not go into a money tester, and makes a dull sound when dropped on a hard surface.

Judge Graham's order granting a writ of error in the case of Mackin and Gallagher, will cause general regret among the best class of voters in both parties. The issuing of the writ operates as a suspension of the sentence under a suspended sentence, and is an argument for a new trial on the part of the defendant. The argument for a new trial will be heard at some time to be fixed hereafter. In reviewing the case Judge Graham said that after examining the records of the district court he considered that the questions raised were sufficiently grave to warrant him in granting a writ of error, which would also operate as a stay of proceedings. This ruling, however, was not to be taken that he would overrule the findings of the district court at the final hearing.

The Gazette regrets to announce that the angel of sorrow has visited the home of Governor Rusk by the death of his second daughter, Miss Ida, who died at Madison, on Tuesday morning, of inflammation of the stomach. There will be general and sincere sympathy for the stricken family. Miss Rusk has been sick nearly three weeks, having taken a slight cold on the fourth instant, which soon developed in the form of neuritis of the stomach, and which finally led to inflammation of the stomach which directly caused her death. She was 26 years old, and was a lady of many accomplishments. The funeral services will occur at the executive residence, Thursday morning at 9 o'clock, and will be conducted by Dr. C. H. Richards, of the Congregational church. The remains will be conveyed by special train, over the St. Paul road, to Virgo, the train

leaving the city at 10 a. m. Thursday. Services will also be conducted by Rev. Dr. Richards, at Virgo, Friday morning at 10 o'clock.

There is a good deal of good nature toward the Democratic administration among republicans, and United States senators are announcing as holding very pleasant relations with the executive. In looking around we judge that republicans have more reason to be good natured than democrats. There is a good deal of moderation in President Cleveland's methods, and republican hope, and all sensible democrats hope, that his backbone won't snap at this particular juncture of affairs. So long as the president does the best he can and continues to make good appointments, let republicans throughout the country do as republicans senators are doing, give the administration their support. If things continue to keep thus quiet on the Potomac, the chief kickers will be the democrats.

Official figures from the land office at Washington show that in Dakota, the acres entered in 1883 were 12,477,150, but in 1884 the entries dropped to 7,975,648 acres, and of these entries over 2,700,000 acres were at offices not opened in the previous year. At Fargo, the entries fell from 4,000,000 acres in 1883 to only 850,000 in 1884, and at Bismarck from 2,300,000 in 1883 to about 300,000 in 1884. In Minnesota the entries were 2,749,464 acres in 1883, and 1,202,100 in 1884; the entries in Wisconsin were 471,220 acres in 1883, and 339,704 in 1884. The speculators appear to have taken up most of the land rendered desirable by railroads built thus far in these states, and in Dakota the decrease in entries indicates that the same is true to a considerable extent. By the settlement and the opening of new farms does not keep pace with the entry of land for speculation, though the marked decline in the price of farm products must naturally cause a considerable decrease in the number of new farms occupied.

The Milwaukee Journal, in its issue of Tuesday, makes the following very kindly mention of Dr. S. L. Lord, the popular legislator from Rock county:

Senator S. L. Lord, of Edgerton, is a man of slight stature, silver beard, and gray eyes. He was an army surgeon early in the war, and served his country in that department with eminent satisfaction. He was on the staff of General George B. Bryant before Vicksburg. As chairman of the joint committee on naval and military expenditures, Senator Lord is often seen carrying a huge Japanese tin box and fro. The box contains bills. Most of the bills have been killed, which he cunningly disposed of by the senator. He has introduced ironical resolutions into the senate on the charge of administration: "I am a republican, and have worked as hard for the party as any man in the state but I shall vote for the resolutions introduced by the senator on the charge of administration because if I am not so much of a partisan as to begrudge the other side the privilege of reasoning when they get a chance. There are few men in the legislature who are as genial to his acquaintances as Senator Lord. His fondness for society is evinced by a party that constantly surrounds his desk when there is no session. He is a reserved man, generally, so much so that I sat beside him all through the Spooner campaign, and asked him to point out Senator Lord, and without suspecting that he was the gentleman in question. He doesn't oppose or favor a great many bills, but he hopped to the big scene last September when he introduced a bill that showed himself fearless of the university lobby which filled the galleries. He is a hold-over senator, and sits behind Senator Stanley. The Gazette is glad to bear witness to the fact that Senator Lord is one of the ablest members of the senatorial body. He is not only industrious and wide-awake, but his knowledge of state affairs and his ability to point out and wisely discuss all the leading questions that come before the senate, make him the peer of any senator in the chamber.

CHICAGO. —Mr. Jesse Taylor and Miss Rose Barrett were made one at the Methodist parsonage Wednesday evening March 15th. —C. R. Fink, one of the new proprietors of the Clinton butter and cheese factory, arrived with his family the 15th inst. and moved into the J. Gatos tenement house, just south of the school house. His boiler, engine, DeLaval cream separator and other machinery are on the ground and will soon be in place ready for business. —A friend for post office favors are not entirely happy over reports from the department at the seat of government. —The Rock county Sunday school convention held in the Congregational church at this place, closed last Wednesday evening. It was one of the largest, most interesting and best attended association ever held by this organization. —E. C. Humann, of Beloit, was in the village on Friday. —J. W. Hartshorn's matched team of high stepping colts are soon on the streets daily and attract much attention. —The tobacco fever has evidently struck Clinton, many acres will be grown, the coming season, and a tobacco warehouse will be next in order. —A combination sale at public auction is advertised to be held at D. G. Cheever's residence March 31st. Thirty head of young cattle, grade short horns and high grade Holsteins, several colts, farm tools, etc. —Fred Randall, of Hardwick, Vt., arrived in town Saturday. He is to take charge of the express office in our village. —Miss Carrie Dow is sick with diphtheria.

MISS WILLIAM M. HARTSHORN Died at her father's residence last Sunday afternoon after a brief but severe illness, and was buried on the 24th. Seldom if ever has this entire community been so shocked and saddened as by the death of this much loved young woman, born and reared in our town, moving for 22 years in beauty, grace and loveliness in our midst; exhibiting daily a growing intelligence, sweetness of disposition, friendship and love for her numerous acquaintances; and more intimate friends that endeared her to all, so that her death hangs like a dark cloud over the place. An unusual sympathy goes out from all to the stricken parents, the two sisters and more distant relatives. The funeral was largely attended at the family residence, and the beautiful white casket was covered in a wreath of rare and lovely flowers in beautiful designs, tributes of loving friends. Her pastor Rev. S. D. Post, officiated, assisted by the resident clergyman.

PRECOCIOUS DEPRIVITY.

MURDER BY A NINE-YEAR-OLD VIRGINIA GIRL.

She Hang Her Seven-Year-Old Cousin for "Eating Her Egg"—A Murderer of Poisons Death and Then Kills Two Officers.

RICHMOND, Va., March 25.—The murder of a child reported from Scottsville some days ago has been fully confirmed by the coroner's inquest held at that place. The 9-year-old girl who committed the crime, the victim was Melville Barrett, 7 years old, and a cousin of the young murderer. The child lived in a small cabin near the Scottsville, in Albemarle county. The girl was suspected of the crime, but the only evidence to support the suspicion was the statement of a little 5-year-old sister of the girl. Strangely enough, evidence pointed to David Cooper, the uncle of the children, as the murderer, and he was taken to jail, though the smaller of the girls stated from the first that her sister killed the boy for eating her egg. The girls were to be taken to the court house Tuesday to testify before the grand jury, and in talking to Mr. Barrett and others Tuesday night the elder of the girls admitted that she killed the boy, saying she and her sister persuaded him to go on a chair to eat a piece of cake, and that when the rope had been attached to the ceiling of the cabin she made a loop into which he was made to put his head; that she then knocked the chair from under him and struck him several severe blows over the head with a stove.

He Was Worth Two Dead Men. GAINESVILLE, Tex., March 25.—News reached here Tuesday night of the murder at Auburquerque, Indian territory, of Deputy Sheriff John A. Culp and ex-consort of the Bush Mountains, of this county. The officers were in pursuit of a negro named Glass, wanted for a murder recently committed in the territory. They overtook the fugitive, who was riding a horse, and ordered him to halt. He attempted to draw a pistol, and one of the officers fired, and Glass fell from his horse, falling dead. The officers, believing they had killed him, laid down their weapons and approached. When within a few feet of Glass he sprang up, shot the officers, and fled. Culp and Meadows were found by passers-by a little later and soon died, but made substantially the above statement, and also said that they were confident Glass was wearing an armor breast-plate, which turned the bullets they had fired at his body. A large party of citizens is starting in pursuit of Glass.

A VIGOROUS VICEROY.

Lord Dufferin's Energy in Preparing India for War. LONDON, March 25.—Lord Dufferin's vigorous preparations to meet any hostilities offered by Russia continue to excite the admiration of those who have become disgusted with Mr. Gladstone's comparative inactivity. The viceroy has ordered his army to be concentrated for the concentration of an army corps of 50,000 men at Peshawar, with a reserve of 10,000 men, all under the command of Lord Dufferin. The viceroy's general and commander-in-chief of his majesty's forces in India, who is now on his way to Rawal Pindi with Lord Dufferin to be present at the conference with the emperor of Afghanistan. Six months ago the viceroy's army corps have been forwarded to Peshawar. One of the matters to be decided upon at Rawal Pindi is a plan of advance to Herat, and the fortifying of the frontier. The viceroy's army corps are taking on board a full supply of shot and shell and have received orders to keep their rifles loaded night and day, ready to start at a moment's notice.

What the Mormons Think of It. SALT LAKE CITY, March 25.—The general sentiment among intelligent Mormons regarding the decision of the United States supreme court in the objection cases, in which the Utah commission was respondents, is one of disappointment. While the test case prescribed by the commission was decided in favor of the state, the court went out of its way to practically declare the Edmunds act void when the point was not necessarily before it. The ruling that the inhabitants of territories are under the sovereign control of congress is viewed with amusement and regret, and is generally considered as a position more opposed to a republican form of government than any ever given since the nation was founded. Many feel that they are being unjustly dealt with.

A Yale College Frank. NEW HAVEN, Conn., March 25.—While Policeman Selleck was trying to put out a fire on the Yale college campus at 2 o'clock Tuesday morning burning in honor of Professor Phelps' nomination as minister to Great Britain, a party of students broke in, and down and took from him his hat, coat, badge, belt, and revolver, and gave him a black eye. They desisted from their abusing the officer only when one of their number cried out that Selleck's arm was broken. No arrests have been made.

Cincinnati Democratic Nominations. CINCINNATI, March 25.—George Gerken was nominated for mayor by the Democratic city convention Tuesday afternoon on the first ballot. George Harman was nominated for city treasurer, Jordan Thomas for city prosecutor, and James W. Wagner for judge of the police court. J. M. Dawson was nominated for city solicitor.

Business Troubles. NEW YORK, March 25.—A. Solmans, manufacturer of hats at South Norwalk, Conn., is offering to compromise with his creditors at 30 cents on the dollar cash. His liabilities are about \$50,000.

E. C. Collision, dealer in groceries and dry goods at Dover, Del., is reported to have failed with liabilities of \$40,000. Another Railway Fall. JENSEN CITY, N. J., March 25.—The Lehigh Valley train due here at 6:45 Tuesday night was stopped at Chestnut avenue, Bergen Co., on account of the explosion of a gas rocket in one of the passenger cars. The car was entirely consumed. No one was injured. The accident caused a delay of two hours on the Pennsylvania road.

A Brilliant Fire Department. COVINGTON, Ky., March 25.—A fire broke out in the building at the southeast corner of Seventh and Madison streets and totally destroyed eight small shops. It was an hour and ten minutes before a stream of water could be brought to play on the fire, owing to the plugs in the vicinity being frozen.

Dinner's Birthday Present. BIRMINGHAM, March 25.—The Emperor William has sanctioned the purchase of the Schoonhausen estate by the memorial committee as a birthday present to Prince Bismarck.

An Important Discovery. The most important discovery is that which brings the most good to the greatest number. Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, cough, and colds, will preserve the health and save life, and is a priceless boon to the afflicted. Not only does it positively cure consumption, but coughs, colds, bronchitis, asthma, hoarseness, and all affections of the throat, chest, and lungs, yield at once to its wonderful curative powers. If you doubt this, get a trial bottle free, at P. Sherer & Co.'s drug store.

Cuticream for chapped hands and face, sold by Prentice & Evenson, druggists.

The Iowa Auditorship Controversy.

DRS. MORRIS, Iowa, March 25.—Attorney General Baker has furnished State Treasurer Twombly a written opinion concerning the payment of warrants drawn by the State Auditor Brown and Acting Auditor Cattell. It holds that the treasurer must pay the warrants of both—those of the auditor issued prior to his conviction and those of the acting auditor issued thereafter. This will start a considerable amount of clogged funds again in motion.

Nine Business Houses Burned. NASHVILLE, Tenn., March 25.—A destructive fire occurred at Louisville, Tenn., at an early hour Tuesday morning, in which nine business houses were burned, the loss reaching \$30,000, and no insurance.

A Large Order for Swords. SPRINGFIELD, Mass., March 25.—The Ames company, at Chicopee, has received an order for 300,000 swords, and the works will be run to their full capacity for some time.

CHICAGO MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Mar. 25.—5:30 P. M. AS REPORTED FOR THE GAZETTE BY T. W. MANISTO, REPRESENTATIVE AND A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF STOCK, GRAIN AND PROVISION EXCHANGES, 150 WASHINGTON ST., CHICAGO.

Wheat,—				
pr.	\$ 75 1/2	\$ 77 3/4	75 1/2	\$ 77 1/4
May	75 1/2	77 3/4	75 1/2	77 1/4
June	82 1/2	84	80 1/2	83
Corn,—				
pr.	38	39 1/4	38	38
May	42	42 1/2	42	42 1/2
June	42 1/2	42 1/2	42 1/2	42 1/2
Oats,—				
pr.	\$ 27 1/2	28 1/4	27 1/2	\$ 28
May	31 1/2	31 1/2	31 1/2	31 1/2
June	31 1/2	31 1/2	31 1/2	31 1/2
Pork,—				
pr.	\$11 75	\$12 00	\$11 75	\$12 00
May	11 85	12 10	11 85	12 10
June	11 95	12 20	11 95	12 20
Lard,—				
pr.	\$ 8 80	8 85	8 85	8 85
May	8 75 1/2	8 95	8 75 1/2	8 95
June	8 75 1/2	9 00 1/2	8 75 1/2	9 02

